







PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tsugita et al.

Serial No.:

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Group Art Unit: 3731

For:

GUIDEWIRE FILTER AND METHODS OF USE

Docket No.:

1001.1422103

Assistance Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

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JoAnn Lindman

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced Application, please enter the following amendments in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.115.

In the Claims

Please add newly presented claims 21-36.

21. A medical device, comprising:

a guidewire having a proximal end, a distal end, and a stop mounted on the distal end;

a delivery sheath having a proximal end, a distal end, and a lumen therebetween, the delivery sheath slidably disposed along the guidewire;

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We are transmitting herewith the following:

[X] Preliminary Amendment.

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | | |
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| | (1) | (2) | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER | |
| FOR: | # FILED | # EXTRA | Rate | Fee | Rate | Fee |
| BASIC FEE | | | | \$ | | \$ |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 17-20 = | 0 | x9= | \$ | x18= | \$0 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 2-3 = | 0 | x42= | \$ | x84= | \$0 |
| () MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED | | | +140= | \$ | +280= | \$ |
| TOTAL | | | \$ | | \$0 | |

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